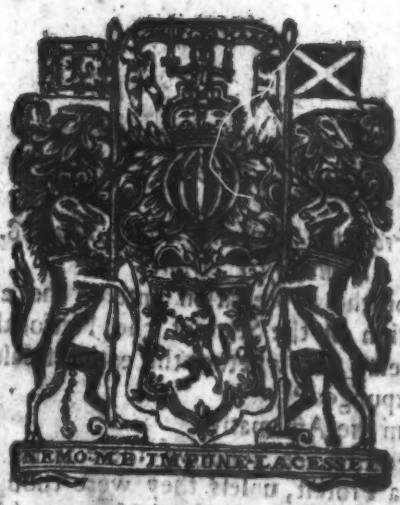

THE Caledonian Mercury,

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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.

Edinburgh, Tuesday May 15, 1722.

From the Evening Post, May 10th.

Since our last arrived one Mail from France, and one from Flanders.

Paris, May 16.

THE Report we had concerning the Coronation of the King, which was said to be put off for one Year, proves false; for on the 14th Instant it was declared, that the Solemnity of the Inauguration is to be on the 17th of October next; the Persons appointed to perform some of the principal Functions are, Prince Charles of Lorain, to bear the Train of the Royal Robes on the Day of the Coronation, the Marquis de Nesle is to bear it the next Day, at the Ceremony of the Knights of the Holy Ghost; by which Function, that young Lord, tho' under Age, will be qualified to be elected a Knight of that Order: The four Hostages for the fainte Ampoule or Vial, in which is kept the Oyl they salve the King with, are the Marquisses of Beauvais, Alegre, d'Estring, and de Pris. The Duke de Gesvres is going to marry the Relict of the late Duke Fitz James, Son of the Duke of Berwick.

Madrid, May 3d. The Marquis de Grimaldo, Secretary of State, has, by Order and in Name of his Catholick Majesty, assured Mr. Stanhope the British Ambassador at this Court, that the Naval Armament which is now making in some of the Ports of Spain, shall not be employed in any Expedition contrary to the Engagements between this Crown and Great Britain.

Paris, May 11. All the Irish Regiments which were quartered near the Coasts of this Kingdom, are removed up into the Inland Parts of the Country, by Order of the Duke Regent; And express Orders have been issued, forbidding any Person to go over from France to Great Britain, without a Passport from Court.

From the St. James's Evening Post, May 10. 1722.

His Majesty's Service requiring the immediate Attendance of all Military Officers who are upon the Establishment of Ireland; this is to give Notice to all such Military Officers, That it is his Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Pleasure, that they do forthwith repair to their respective Posts in Ireland, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril.

Edward Hopkins.

ing the Reasons of a Protest, unless they were thought to contain something indecent to the House, or alledged Matters of Fact that were false. The first is not presumed in the present Case; and as to the second, the Matter depending upon Figures, there can be no Dispute, but upon the Method of Calculation, and if the Lords who signed the Protest, did chuse to follow the Methods observed by the Officers of the Exchequer, rather than any other, we do not conceive their Reasons founded on such Authority, deserv'd to be expunged, neither do we think the said Lords were obliged to make Deductions from the Exchequer Accompts which was laid before the House without making the proper Addition, at the same time. For it must be agreed, that if the Debt stated in 1717 was but 47 Millions, 800000 l. and in the Year 1720 above 50 Millions; the bringing the Annuities into the South Sea Company, may occasion an Encrease of about two Millions and an half, and the Army Debentures not yet brought to accompt, are estimated at about half a Million more, and the Debt of the Navy is near two Millions: So that the whole appears to be about 55 Millions, and the Encrease of the National-debt since it was stated in 1717, might therefore be reckon'd about 7 Millions, and deducing the Million of Exchequer Bills lent to the South Sea Company, the real Increase of the National-debt, above what it was stated at, in the Year 1717, appears to us, at this time about 6 Millions. But as the Reasons were intended on the Accompt laid before the House, which kept in the Million of Exchequer Bills as a Debt, and excluded all the other Articles, we conceive they ought not to have been expunged, since the under-reckoning the Debt was not the Objection made against them.

Fr. Cestriens. Uxbridge. Bathurst. Cowper. St. John de Bletsoe. Bristol. Boyle. Aberdeen. Litchfield. Guilford. North and Gray. Fr Roffen. Weston. Foley. Trevor.

March 5.

THE Order was Read for taking into Consideration, the Protestation entered in the Journal of this House the 17th of January last. And the several Reasons for the said Protestation being Read. After Debate,

The Question was put, whether the entire Entry of the Reasons for the said Protestation on the 17th of January last shall be expunged.

Dissentient.

Because former Reasons entered against some late Resolutions for expunging, do, as we conceive, equally extend to justify our Dissent to this Resolution, and therefore to avoid Repetition, we refer to those Reasons, with this further, That we do not find, and believe there is not any Precedent, wherein Reasons for a [illegible] been taken into

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From the London Gazette, May 5, 1722.

Madrid, April 28. By an Express from Cadiz we have Advice of the Arrival there of an Advice-boat, which came from Vera Cruz the 6th of January last. We have an Account by this Vessel, that the Spanish Galleons and the British South Sea Company's Ship arrived in December last at Cartagena, where European Goods then bore a very high Price.

From the Flying Post, May 8, 1722.

London, May 8. Orders were given last Sunday-night, for all Officers to repair to their Colours with Expedition, in Order for Encampment; accordingly 4 Battalions of the Foot-guards are to encamp this Day in Hide Park, and two more are to do the like, as 'tis said, on Black Heath; and the Horse are also to encamp in Hide Park To-morrow. We do not pretend to dive into the Secret of those Motions, which, they say, are founded upon certain Advices from Abroad, and some Discoveries made by the Vigilance of our Ministers at Home; but if the Enemies of the Government have a mind to try t' other Campaign, we heartily wish them the same Success they had at Preston, Dumblain, Towerhill and Tyburn.

From the Evening Post, May 10.

On Tuesday last, the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of this City received a Letter from the Right Honourable the Lord Townshend, *one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, which is as follows.*

My Lord,

HIS Majesty having nothing more at Heart, than the Peace and Safety of his good City of London, the Protection of its Inhabitants, and the Support of Publick Credit, hath commanded me to Acquaint your Lordship, That he hath received repeated and unquestionable Advices, that several of his Subjects, forgetting their Allegiance to him, as well as the natural Love they ought to bear to their Country; have entered into a wicked Conspiracy, in concert with Traitors abroad, to raise a Rebellion in this Kingdom, in favour of a Popish Pretender, with a traiterous Design to overthrow our Excellent Constitution in Church and State, and Subject a Protestant free People to Tyranny and Superstition: But I am perswaded it will be a great Satisfaction to your Lordship and this City, that at the same time, that I am ordered to inform you of this Design; I am likewise commanded by his Majesty to let you know, that he is firmly assured, that the Authors of it neither are, nor will be supported, nor even countenanced by any foreign Power. And as his Majesty has had timely Notice of their wicked and evil Machinations, and has made the proper Disposition for defeating them, he has no Reason to doubt, but by the Continuance of the blessing of the Almighty GOD, and the ready Assistance of his faithful Subjects, this Effect of the Malice of his Enemies will be turned to their own Confusion. His Majesty makes no doubt but your Lordship, pursuant to the Trust reposed in you, will in Conjunction with the other Magistrats of his good City of London, exert with the utmost Care and Vigilence, your Authority at so important a Conjuncture, for the Preservation of the Publick Peace, and the Security of the City.

I am, &c.

Townshend.

Upon the Receipt of the aforesaid Letter, the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, met Yesterday at Guildhall, and in the Evening waited on his Majesty at St. James's with a loyal and dutiful Address, promising to preserve the Tranquillity of the City, &c.

To the King's most excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of the City of London.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

YOUR Majesty having been Graciously pleased, to signify to the Lord Mayor, how much you have at Heart the Peace and Safety of your City of London, the Protection of the Inhabitants, and the Support of publick Credit, and that his Majesty has unquestionable Advices of a wicked Conspiracy, entred into by some of your Majesty's Subjects, in Concert with Traitors

tors abroad, for raiſing a Rebellion in this Kingdom, in Favours of a Popiſh Pretender to your Majeſty's Crown.

We the Lord Mayor, and Court of Aldermen of this City, moſt Humbly intreat your Majeſty's Permiſſion, to make this immediate Approach to your Royal Preſence, that we may return our moſt humble and unfeigned Thanks, for this Inſtance of your Majeſty's tender and indulgent Regard to your faithful and dutiful Subjects of this City; and that we may have Leave to give your Majeſty Aſſurance of our ſteady and unalterable Affection and Zeal for your Royal Perſon and Government, and for the Continuance of the Proteſtant Succeſſion in your Royal Family.

And it is an unſpeakable Satisfaction to us, that we can at the ſame Time congratulate your Majeſty on the happy Succeſs of theſe Negociations, which have procured Aſſurances, that theſe wicked and traitorous Purpoſes will not be ſupported, or countenanced by any foreign Power.

When we reflect on the many Bleſſings which Britains enjoy, under the Protection of a Prince, who makes the Laws of this Land his Rule for the Government of his People, when we conſider, that neither the Civil or Religious Rights of your Majeſty's Subjects, have met with the leaſt Inſtance of Violation, ſince your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of theſe Realms when we reflect your Majeſty's Royal Clemency and Benevolence (ſince the laſt Rebellion) to Numbers of thoſe who had offended in the higheſt Degree, againſt their King and the Law of their Country. We cannot but expreſs the utmoſt Abhorrence of thoſe vile and deteſtible Perſons, who ſhall again conſpire and attempt, to bring a free and happy People under the the Yoke and Tyrany of Superſtition, and to involve this Nation in a State of Blood, Miſery, and the utmoſt Confuſion.

And as theſe muſt be the unavoidable Conſequences attending any Enterprize, to alter our preſent happy Eſtabliſhment, and to introduce a Popiſh one, as Engliſhmen that value our Liberties, as honeſtmen, that have ſworn Allegiance to your Majeſty, and who have abjured and renounced the Pretender; and as real Friends to our excellent Conſtitution in Church and State with a Proteſtant Prince at the Head of it. We beg Leave in the moſt ſolemn Manner, to declare to your Majeſty, that as we are bound in Gratitude, we will exert our ſelves in our ſeveral Stations, with the utmoſt Care and Vigilance, for the Preſervation of the publick Peace and Tranquillity, and for the reſtoring of publick Credit; and we will uſe our ſincere and hearty Endeavours, for the firm Support of your Majeſty upon the Throne, and for the making your Reign eaſy and happy.

We doubt not, but by the Bleſſing of Almighty God, upon the Wiſdom and Conduct of your Majeſty, and the Vigilance of your Councils, and the ready and chearful Aſſiſtance of your Majeſty's faithful Subjects, your Majeſty will entirely defeat and fruſtrate the Malice and Efforts of all your Enemies, their Aiders and Abettors, and their wicked Machinations turned to their own Confuſion.

To which his Majeſty was pleaſed to return the following moſt gracious Anſwer.

YOur Affectionate and cordial Aſſurances upon this important Occaſion, of an unſhaken Zeal and Fidelity to my Perſon and Government, give me the greateſt Satisfaction. Your Intereſt and mine are and ever muſt be inſeparable, and I doubt not but that, with the Bleſſing of God, the Precautions I have taken, and your firm Adherance to our juſt Cauſe, will ſoon convince our Enemies, that their wicked Deſigns can end in nothing but their own Confuſion.

You may depend upon my conſtant Care and utmoſt Endeavours to ſupport the publick Credit, to protect the Privileges and Properties of this great and opulent City, and to maintain the Religion, Laws and Liberties of this Kingdom.

After which the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Sheriffs had the Honour to kiſs his Majeſty's Hand, and his Majeſty was pleaſed to confer the Honour of Knighthood on Edward Beecher Eſq; one of the Sheriffs.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, May 10th, 1722.

Hague, May 15. ALL our Letters from Vienna, and other Places ſeem very poſitive, that the Offenſive and Defenſive Alliance between France, Spain and the Czar, which was ſigned before the Departure of the laſt named Prince for Oloniz, will not be executed till Spain is in a Condition to attack Italy, and then the Muſcovite Army and Fleet are to go to Work, to find Employment on this Side for the Emperor of Germany.

Some amongſt us pretend to give out, that the laſt Turkiſh Ambaſſador that was in France declared, it was high Time to oppoſe the exceſſive Power of the Houſe of Auſtria. 'Tis certain that the Imperial Court are under great Embaraſſment, and have frequent Councils for concerting Meaſures to quaſh the Deſigns of its Enemies: To which End, Orders are diſpatched to all the Princes and States of the Empire, to keep their Contingents of Troops in Readineſs. It ſeems, as 'tis ſaid, that the Ruſſians deſign to penetrate by way of Poliſh Pruſſia. The Duke of Mechlenburgh, who ſtill continues obdurate to the Terms of Accommodation required of him, uſes all poſſible Endeavours, let the Event be what it will, to draw an Army of Ruſſians into his Country. The Affair of Religion ſtill continues a threatning Aſpect.

To-day the Artilery arrived in the Camp at Hide Park, where, beſides the 3 Regiments of Foot Guards, the 6 Troops of Horſe and Horſe Grenadiers are encamped.

Theſe extraordinary Motions have cauſed a very great Surprize: And from the Notion of a Foreign Invaſion, many People were ſo intimidated [by which ſome had, on the other Side, ſome Opportunities put into their Hands] as to ſell out their Stocks, particularly laſt Tueſday, to a very great Loſs.

The ſame Evening his Majeſty was graciouſly pleaſed to order the Rt. Honourable the Lord Townſhend, to ſend to the Lord Mayor of this City a Letter, containing in Subſtance, "That his Majeſty had repeted and unqueſtionable "Advices, that ſeveral of his Subjects, forgetting their Allegiance to him, have "entred into a wicked Conſpiracy, in Concert with Traitors Abroad, to raiſe a "Rebellion in this Kingdom in favours of a Popiſh Pretender: But his Maje-

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" ſty was fully aſſured, that the Authors of this wicked Deſign, neither are " nor will be ſupported, or even countenanced, by any Foreign Power: That " his Majeſty had timely Notice of their ill Machinations, and made the proper " Diſpoſitions of detecting them: That he had no Reaſon to doubt but, by " the Bleſſing of the Almighty, and the ready Aſſiſtance of his faithful Subjects, " this Effort of their Malice will be turned into their own Confuſion.

Laſt Evening the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen waited on the King, with a very dutiful and loyal Addreſs, aſſuring his Majeſty of their utmoſt Endeavours for the firm Support of his Royal Perſon upon the Throne, &c. To which his Majeſty was graciouſly pleaſed to anſwer, " That their affectionate " and zealous Aſſurances gave him the greateſt Satisfaction; That their Intereſts " and his were inſeparable; and doubted not, but that the Precautions he has " taken, and their firm Adherence to his juſt Cauſe, will ſoon convince our E- " nemies, that their wicked Deſigns can end in nothing but their own Confuſion.

'Tis a Subject of the greateſt Inquiry amongſt us to know, how and in what Manner this Plot was to be executed; for notwithſtanding the Diſaffections that may have appeared, yet to ſuppoſe it could be undertaken without the Aſſiſtance of ſome Foreign Powers, is what we cannot well conceive. At the ſame time it muſt, no doubt, be thought highly requiſite upon theſe Occaſions, at leaſt to keep up, if not augment the Number of the ſtanding Forces.

The Arguments of certain Authors now turn upon the dangerous Conſequences of Innoculating Foreign Soldiers into a State, under Preſence of ſecuring it from all preſent and future Dangers; and amongſt the reſt, inſtance the Miſeries that attended the Invitation which our Anceſtors made to the Saxons into Great Britain.

'Tis ſaid that ſeveral Camps will be formed in Ireland and Scotland, and particular Regiments are to encamp on Dockes Common, near Windſor, on Marlborough Downs, and near Wincheſter.

Two Proclamations will ſuddenly be publiſhed, one for putting the Laws in Execution againſt Papiſts, and the other, againſt riotous Aſſemblies.

There has been To-day a Run upon the Bank, and South Sea is but 84. Mean while we don't hear of any Perſon to be yet taken up on Account of the afore mentioned Plot. The Parliament met this Day, and were further Prorogued to the 7th of next Month.

State of the Barons of the Shire or County of *Roſs*, at the Elections the 28th Day of *April*, 1722, including the whole Number of Barons of that Shire.

Charles Roſs of *Belnagoun*, Candidate. *Alexander Urghart* of *Newhall* Candidate

Malcolm Roſs of Pitcalny.
William Roſs of Auldy.
David Roſs of Inverchaſsly.
John Roſs of Inverchaſſron.
Alexander Roſs of Auchryles.
Charles Roſs of Evy.
Hugh Roſs of Killravock.
David Roſs of Kindeaſs.
Donald M'Cloud of Gruniſh.
James Fraſer of Auchnagairn.
M'Culloch of Piltown.
Sir Robert Monro of Fowlis.
Robert Monro younger of Fowlis.
George Monro of Newmore.
Andrew Monro of Weſtertyre.
George Monro of Culcairn.

Sir Kenneth M'Kenzie of Seatwell.
Rod. M'Kenzie younger of Seatwell.
Mr. Simon M'Kenzie of Allangrange.
Alexander M'Kenzie of Garlock.
Sir Colin M'Kenzie of Coul.
Rod. M'Kenzie of Redcaſtle.
Rod. M'Kenzie younger of Redcaſtle.
Kenneth M'Keenie of Suddy.
Donald M'Kenzie of Kilcoy.
Sir William Gordon of Invergordon.
Adam Gordon of Daſtolly.
Sir James Sinclair of Dunbeath.
Kenneth Baine of Talloch.
Captain David Roſs of Dean.
Hector Monro of Novarr.
Alexander Forreſter of Cullenaold.
John Leſly of Findrathe.

Barons of the Shire of *Roſs* abſent from this Election.

George Monro of Culraine.
Sir Kenneth M'Kenzie of Cromarty.
Sir James M'Kenzie of Royſtoun.
William M'Kenzie of Balmaduthie.
M'Kenzie younger of Balmaduthie.
Mr. George M'Kenzie of Inchcolter.
Alexander M'Kenzie of Ballone.
Alexander M'Kenzie of Davacheartie.

The attainted Barons not included.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Lands and Barony of Easterfield, comprehending the Lands of Windmainhill, East Miln; Miln, Miln Lands and others, with the third Part of the Lands of Gellechs, near the Burgh of Dumfermling, lying within the Parochine thereof, and Sheriffdome of Fife, belonging to Philip Anstruther now of Easterfield, paying yearly Rent 178 Bolls Bear, 102 Bolls weighted Meal, at eight Stone per Boll, 38 Bolls 2 Firlots Oats, and 8 Bolls grind Meal, and 1000 Merks Money Rent, with a fine large House, Office-houses, Gardens and Orchyeards, two Dovecoats, Planting, Parks, Meadows, and about 13 or 14 Dozen of Kain, and other Conveniencies, are to be exposed to voluntar Roup and Sale, upon Friday the 22d of June next, in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, over against the Parliament Close, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 4 in the Afternoon: The Rental of the said Estate and Deductions therefrom, with the Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of John Lumisden Writer to the Signet, at his writing Chamber in Miln's Square, opposite to the Tron Church. As also, that there are two Lodgings, being the fourth and fifth Stories of the great Stone Land at the Head of Gray's Close, on the South Side of the Street of Edinburgh, belonging to the said Philip Anstruther, and paying both of yearly Rent 21 L. Sterling, are also to be exposed to voluntar Roup, upon Tuesday the 26th of the said Month of June next, in the foresaid House and Time.

THat at Portpatrick *in the Shire of* Galloway, *there is a convenient new publick House, at the Sign of King* George's *Head; where is good Entertainment for Men and Horse, going or coming from* Ireland. *Enquire at* Adam Barclay, *Turner in the Back Stairs in the* Parliament *Close*, Edinburgh, *or at the said House at* Portpatrick.

THat the House of Gallingray, lying in the Parish of Carsble, in the East End of the Shire of Fife, consisting of six Fire Rooms, with a Kitchin, Cellars and other Conveniencies, Barns and Stable lofted, with slait Roofs, and other Offices, with a large Orchyeard and Parks, which will sow betwixt 25 and 30 Bolls Oats, a good Dovecat, 16 Dozen of Rain Fowls, and 40 Sheeps Grass, are to be set by Thomas Bethune of Tarvit, against the Term of Martinmas next. Any Person who incline to take the same, may call for Tarvit at that Place, or for Alexander Christie Writer in Edinburgh at Mr Hary Guild's Writing Chamber on the North side of the Street, a little above the Court of Guard, who will Treat with them to that End. *N. B.* The Tennent of the Mains is obliged to labour the Park, &c. and is bound to several other Services.

A Plate of Twenty five Guineas Value, to be run for at Lochmaben *in* Annandale, *on the Thirtieth Day of* May *Instant; by any Horse, Mare or Gelding, carrying Eight Stone* Scots *Weight, Saddle and Bridle included.*

The Articles.

THAT the Horses that run for this Plate shall run three Heats, once round the Course every Heat, and that half an Hour is allowed for rubbing between the Heats.

That all the Riders after every Heat, do come directly to the Weighing Poll and there Dismount, take off his own Saddle and Bridle, carry it with him to the Scales, and there to be weighed; half a Pound being allowed to each Rider for Waste.

That if any one Horse wins two Heats, if challenged to run, saves his Distance the third, he wins the Plate.

That if three Horses win every one a Heat, they must run a fourth Heat.

That no Crossing or Jostling is allowed. That the winning Horse or Mare, if he be fourteen Hands High or above, is to be sold for Fifty Pound Sterling the Plate included, if required, and if more than one bid, he is to be Raffled for.

The Horses that are to run for this Plate, must be in *Lochmaben* on *Tuesday* the 22d by Noon.

The Horses to start between Twelve and Two in the Afternoon.

That all Differences that shall arise, to be determined by the Provost, or one whom he shall appoint.

The next Day being the Thirty first Instant, will be run for a Pair of Silver Spurs of Three Guineas Value; by any Horse, Mare or Gelding, belonging to Gentlemen or others of the Stewartrie of *Annandale*; every other way subjected to the foregoing Articles, but that the winning Horse must be sold for Twelve Guineas.